Congratulations to Patrick Kellner Winner of the Congressional Art Competition

Washington, DC- Kyle resident Patrick Kellner visited Washington this week to attend a ceremony for winners of the annual congressional art competition. Pat, who graduated from Hays High this spring, entered the contest as a senior in the advanced placement studio art class taught by Sherry Snowden. He was thrilled to win the contest and represent Texas' 14th congressional district in a national showcase of artwork in the U.S. Capitol. Pat plans to attend Southwest Texas State in the fall.

His winning entry, a painting entitled *Old Glory*, depicts an American flag draped over a stool. Pat began the work before the September 11th, but it took on increased significance as a result of the tragedy. The painting demonstrates skill use of two unusual media, namely oil sticks on tar paper. Pat decided not to use standard paint on canvas, and the result is a very interesting texture not seen in ordinary paintings.

Congratulations Pat!